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## MORMONS TO HOLD SERVICES AT FAIR MAY 7th

Two dates have thus far been assigned to the Latter-day Saints for the holding of vespers services in the Hall of Religions at the fair on Treasure Island. The first is May 7th and the second June 25th. Various churches alternate in conducting these services, which are held each Sunday evening between 5:00 and 6:00 o'clock.

Oakland Stake has been made responsible for the first one. President Eugene Hilton will speak, his subject being, "The Quest for Truth." The Mormon Male Chorus will furnish the musical program.

In all probability one of the General Authorities will be present for the service to be held by us in June.

## YOUTH CONVENTION PLANNED BY M MEN—GLEANERS

Using as a theme, "It's Smart to Be Moral," the second annual Northern California M Men—Gleaners convention will be held May 27 to 30, with Oakland Stake acting as host to more than 500 guests. Stake leaders have plans definitely outlined for a four-day youth cavalcade which includes a varied and interesting program of activities centered around the theme.

The program as outlined to date, is as follows: Saturday—9:00 a. m. to 5:30 p. m., registration at Oakland chapel, Moss and Webster streets, and assignment to homes and transportation; 7:30 p. m., semi-formal banquet-dance at Scottish Rite Temple, with introduction and response of visiting officers.

The Sunday program will include an inspirational, testimonial meeting at 9:00 a. m., in the Oakland chapel, for M Men, Gleaners and Advisers, only. As a feature of the morning activities, the convention will be divided into six discussion groups. Topics which will be discussed are: Why Spirituality, Church in Education, Mastering Leisure, Vocational Contentment but not Satisfaction, Distinction of Temple Marriage, and "It's Smart to Be Moral." An appropriate program has been arranged for dinner at 2:00 p. m. The Sacrament meeting at 7:00 p. m. will include addresses by visiting General Authorities and musical numbers representing the various Stakes.

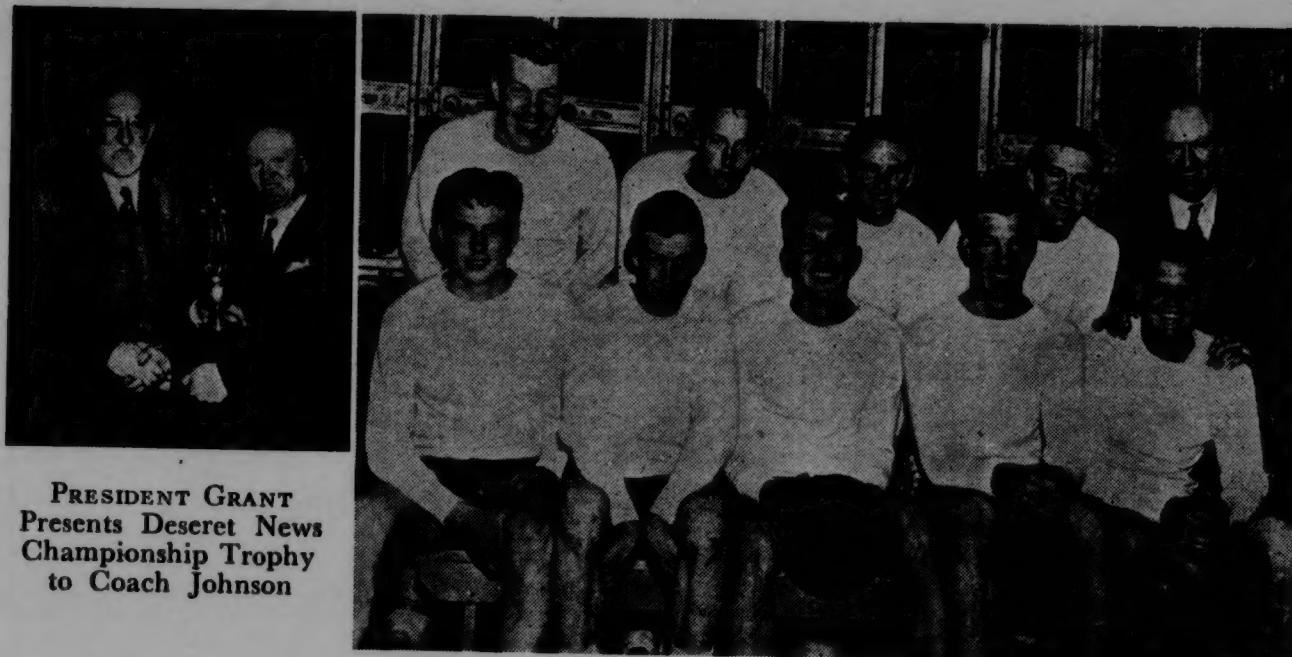
Monday is an open day, and has been set aside for those who wish to attend the Fair. Box lunches will be provided. The day's activities will be climaxed with an "As You Are Dance" at 9:00 p. m., in the Berkeley ward amusement hall at Vine and Walnut streets.

The field day on Tuesday will include games, sports and athletic competition for everyone, with box lunches at 1:00 p. m. As a special feature for the Gleaners, an informal program will be held at the park, with Helen Williams of the General Board as the speaker and special guest.

The cost of the week-end will be \$5.00. This does not include the trip to the Fair on Monday. The members of the housing committee, in providing sleeping quarters, are contacting many of the Saints, who are responding well to date.

Further details are available from your local officers and will be announced in ward services.

## MEET THE ALL-CHURCH CHAMPS! OAKLAND WARD PLAYS GOOD BALL



PRESIDENT GRANT  
Presents Deseret News  
Championship Trophy  
to Coach Johnson

Jim Margetts, Hector Gardiner, Regis Hurley, Joe Hurley, Coach Carney Johnson. Front row: Jack Shields, Ted McBride, John Wilkins, Earl Margetts, Dexter Larson,

burst 24 (overtime); Oakland 2, Richmond 0 (forfeiture); Oakland 25, Dimond 16; Oakland 53, Alameda 49 (overtime); Oakland 35, Claremont 26.

The district: Oakland 32, Balboa 27; Oakland 59, Susanville 18; Oakland 33, Gridley 27; Oakland 62, Sunset 48.

The Church finals: Oakland 39, Wasatch 38; Oakland 39, Ogden 4th ward 33; Oakland 39, Manava 25; Oakland 41, Salt Lake 18th ward 28.

## JUNE 14 WILL BE UTAH DAY AT FAIR

The Golden Gate Exposition will do honor to Utah and Utah's pioneers on June 14th, which also happens to be flag day. Committees on arrangements have been busy for some time and many features are being planned. Undoubtedly there will be a large delegation of officials and people from the Beehive State, and a formal welcome and program will take place in the morning. Other events will take place throughout the day. More detailed plans will be printed in the next issue.

### COMING EVENTS

- Sunday, May 7—Vesper Services by Latter-day Saints Church, Hall of Religions, Treasure Island, 5:00 p. m.
- Saturday and Sunday, May 13, 14—Quarterly Conference, Oakland chapel.
- Thursday, May 11—Stake Honor Day.
- Friday evening, May 19—Stake Officers' meet, Oakland chapel, 7:30 p. m.
- Saturday, May 27, through Tuesday, May 30—Second Annual Youth Conference.

## QUARTERLY CONFERENCE TO CONVENE MAY 13, 14

The quarterly conference of Oakland Stake, which will convene for its first session with a priesthood meeting Saturday evening, May 13, will feature the work of the priesthood quorums throughout. This is in keeping with the policy which the Church is stressing vigorously, of strengthening the quorums as the most important organization in the Church. At the Saturday evening session reports of the condition of the quorums will be given, covering both the Melchizedek and the Aaronic priesthood, and timely instruction will come from the visiting Authority. Sunday morning and afternoon will be general sessions, but priesthood work will again be stressed. And Sunday evening the program will be in charge of the Aaronic Priesthood. A chorus of 150 boys will furnish several numbers.

## SPECIAL MEETING OF STAKE OFFICERS

On Friday evening, May 19, a special meeting for all Stake officers will be held at the Oakland chapel, 7:30. It will be of a social-business nature, and all holding Stake positions are urged to attend.

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"Behold, I will send my messenger, and he  
will prepare the way before me; and the Lord  
whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his  
temple."—Mal. 3:1.

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HAYWARD WARD MEMBER  
AN AUTHOR

"There is nothing gained in the condemnation  
of others unless you help the condemned,"  
is an excerpt from *The Rejected Crown*. (By  
Arthur H. Inger, copyright by W. E. Hend-  
rickson, Alameda, Cal., 338 pages, \$2.50.)

The plot involves the Christ, John the Baptist  
and characters interested in their teachings.  
It partakes of the nature of the historical  
novel with the scene laid in Palestine.

The *Christian Advocate* for April 14, 1938,  
comments on Mr. Inger's book thus: "It is a  
challenge of the law of altruism to that of  
greed and aggression. It illustrates incompar-  
ably the supremacy of right over might . . ."  
The *Improvement Era* for January, 1938, says:  
"To be listed in the book's favor, is its strong  
moving story (after a somewhat slow begin-  
ning), and its unshakable case for the  
immortality of the soul, the Godship of Jesus of  
Nazareth and His triumph over death and the  
grave."—R.S.H.

ROUND TRIP RATES TO SALT  
LAKE AVAILABLE

Leo H. Crandall, of Alameda, advises that  
for groups of 15 or more traveling together on  
the going trip, a rate of \$17.95 coach or  
\$20.15 tourist, can be obtained over the South-  
ern Pacific. Return need not be in a group.  
This will be of special interest to Primary and  
M. I. A. officers going to June Conference. It will  
be necessary to have definite information as  
to who makes a trip at least 10 days before  
leaving. Telephone Lyle Stockton at S. P.,  
Oakland Information Bureau, during the day,  
or Mr. Crandall at ALameda 6939-W in the  
evening, for further information.

## HIGH COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS

Alameda: Don C. Wood, R. Kendall Thomas.  
Berkeley: Don J. Alphin, William J. Nielsen.  
Claremont: Hugh P. Anderson, Victor Lindblad.  
Dimond: Claude M. Dewsnap, Nathan G. Tolman.  
Elmhurst: Grant Ellis, Ralph S. Barney.  
Hayward: O. Leslie Stone, William T. Hicken.  
Martinez: Eugene Hilton.  
Oakland: Wayne E. Mayhew.  
Richmond: W. Glenn Harmon.  
Vallejo: Delbert F. Wright, Eugene Jacobs.  
Pittsburg: Clyde J. Summerhays.

MESSAGE OF THE STAKE  
PRESIDENCY

Dear Brothers and Sisters:  
We believe that every member of the  
large delegation who attended the April  
Conference from this Stake, was impressed  
with the importance of the work in which  
we are engaged, and the magnitude of  
the undertaking. We believe that all  
came away with a new determination to  
carry on and do all possible in the further-  
thrance of the work.

There is one thing in which Oakland  
Stake is very deficient. Our quota of  
foreign missionaries is less than half filled.  
We should have twenty-five missionaries  
in the field at all times. We have less  
than twelve. Some two years ago we  
assigned to each ward a quota; the  
smallest ward should have at least one  
missionary, the largest at least four. Only  
two wards in the Stake have ever reached  
their quota. Several still have their first  
missionary to send out.

Missionary work is important from two  
angles: First, the carrying of the mes-  
sage to the world. No one who listened  
to the reports of the various mission  
presidents could but wonder how they  
could possibly hope to cover their as-  
signed territories with the mere handful  
of material which came to them.

Second, the missionary experience in  
the lives of those who accept the call.  
Invariably it is reported by those return-  
ing, that the time spent in this service  
is the happiest of their lives.

Why, in the face of the crying need,  
and in the face of the tremendous benefits,  
do so many of us hesitate and put it off?

We earnestly urge the members of  
this Stake to consider this problem anew;  
if there is missionary material in your  
family, if you know of missionary ma-  
terial, report to your bishop. Let us  
strive to come somewhere nearly filling  
our quota during the remaining months  
of this year.

Sincerely your brethren,  
EUGENE HILTON  
W. GLENN HARMON,  
CLYDE J. SUMMERHAYS.

OAKLAND DELEGATION TO THE  
SEMI-ANNUAL CONFERENCE  
THE LARGEST EVER

President Hilton headed the largest delega-  
tion that has ever attended a general confer-  
ence from this Stake at the April sessions in  
Salt Lake City. The entire Stake presidency,  
Elders Don J. Alphin and Wayne E. Mayhew  
of the High Council, and at least one member  
of every ward bishopric save one, were pres-  
ent. Fifteen attended the special session held  
in the Temple on Saturday afternoon, April  
8th. The total man-miles traveled by these  
fifteen delegates was over 23,000.

All who attended reported they were more  
than repaid. The Temple session was the first  
one held in some forty years. One of our num-  
ber, Bishop Cheshire of Vallejo, was present at  
the last previous session held there. President  
Grant is the only one of the General Authorities,  
who was a General Authority at that time.  
Another interesting record: Elder Peter Borup,  
of Alameda, reported this was the fifty-eighth  
out of the last sixty-two general conferences  
which he has attended.

STAKE PRIMARY ASSOCIATION  
PRESENTS "THE HAPPY  
HEARTS"

Before an audience of grown-ups that jammed  
the Berkeley ward amusement hall to capacity,  
the Primary associations of Oakland Stake  
joined in presenting the operetta, "The Happy  
Hearts," as their spring festival program Saturday  
afternoon, April 29th. Over one hundred  
children took part on the stage and well over  
one hundred more were in the chorus. It was  
the largest event of its type ever produced by  
members of the Stake and was outstandingly  
successful. Space does not permit listing the  
names of those who contributed to the occasion,  
but the cast of characters and ward assignments  
were as follows:

## CAST OF CHARACTERS

Laddie	Neil McCarthy
Lassina	Vernell Torgeson
King Cheer	John England
Queen Joy	Dotsy Booth
Vigilant	Louis Jackson
Speedy	Lindley Lewis
Verda (Spirit of the Gardens)	Marilyn Mickelson
Sylvia (Spirit of the Forests)	Winifred Phelps
Aqua (Spirit of the Streams)	Nellie Mae Kest
Hygeia (Spirit of Health)	Nancy Shurtliff
Estha (Spirit of Beauty)	Lavon Nelson
Matina (Spirit of the Morning)	Marilyn Sims
Vespa (Spirit of the Evening)	Anita Loc

Wards

Couriers	Dimond and Elmhurst
Jesters	Berkeley and Claremont
Raindrops	Martinez
Flowers	Berkeley and Claremont
Vegetables	Alameda and Vallejo
Wideawakes	Oakland
Rainbow	Hayward and Richmond
Chorus	Combined Primaries

Following the performance all present were  
treated to refreshments by Elders O. Leslie  
Stone, Delbert F. Rock and Thomas M. Pyne.

STAFF OF "THE MESSENGER"  
ABOUT TO INCREASE

At least the indications are to that effect.  
Of course, we never have believed in crystal-  
gazing, and this bit of information may be off-  
color because it came about through crystal-  
gazing. For once, however, we're inclined to  
trust the crystal, partly because we need more  
help, and partly because all the other signs  
point the same way.

All of which is but a preamble leading up  
to the fact that our busy associate editor, Mr.  
Clifton D. Boyack, who has more irons in the  
fire than he can possibly manage, decided that  
one more iron wouldn't make any difference.  
Or was it that he wanted somebody to help him?  
Leastwise he invited a flock of his intimates  
(and her's, too), to a puppet show at the home  
of President and Mrs. W. Glenn Harmon, one  
evening recently. One of the puppets was a  
spittin' image of the Oracle of Delphi, but the  
voice was that of Clifton D. himself. And  
that's one reason why we believe what the  
oracle said when it announced the engagement  
of said Clifton D. to Miss Grace Richards, of  
Berkeley. But that's only one reason. Reason  
number two is that Miss Richards is display-  
ing a ring on her left hand that can mean only  
one thing. But reason number three—and this  
was the clincher—is that when it came time to  
put *THE MESSENGER* to bed this issue, Miss  
Richards reported for duty like a good scout  
and helped do the job.

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Piano pupils of Mabel Bowerbank will give  
a recital Monday evening, June 5, 1939, at  
7:30 p. m., at the Chapel of the Chimes, 4499  
Piedmont Avenue (No. 10 car), Oakland, Calif.

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## WARD TEACHER'S MESSAGE

May, 1939

## Can We Afford to Pay Tithing?

"It is better to trust the Lord than put confidence in  
man." (Psalms 118:8.) Confidence in the Lord is ex-  
hibited by those who keep the law of tithing, given to  
the Church by revelation July 8, 1838. (Doctrine and  
Covenants 119:4.) But confidence in the Lord results  
from faith and experience. It is the experience of  
those who pay their tithing with the right motives that  
the joy and satisfaction resulting from doing so are a  
testimony that they have done the right thing. Hence  
their faith is strengthened. They come to know that  
blessings coming from opening "the windows of  
heaven" as a result of the payment of their tithing  
(Malachi 3:19) may take many forms—an increase of  
faith, a greater power to resist temptation and over-  
come evil, health and preservation from accidents and  
afflictions, better self-control, wisdom and understand-  
ing, greater enjoyment in Church activities, greater  
economic prosperity, etc. In short, those who pay their  
tithing gain greater confidence in the Lord and more  
readiness to acknowledge His hand in all things.

Unfortunately there are some who seem to believe  
they can afford to pay no tithing, or at most only part  
tithing, forgetting that the Lord will open up the way  
before those who worthily seek ways to do His will. He  
can save them from numerous expenses—accidents, ill-  
ness, various kinds of misfortune—as well as prosper  
them in other ways.

President Bailey of Sheffield, England, was asked by  
a fellow worker how he could afford to pay tithing.  
Both men had the same wages and families of about  
the same size. In reply Brother Bailey asked his col-  
league how much his family spent on tea, or tobacco,  
and on alcoholic beverages. It was found that the cost  
of these items to the one family was more than the  
tithing of the other. Hence the president replied, "I  
can afford to pay tithing because my family keeps the  
Word of Wisdom." Further, he said his family had  
much less sickness than his colleague's. So the net in-  
come of the president, though the gross was no greater  
than that of his colleague, enabled his family to live  
much better than his friend's family lived.

The sincere and faithful keeping of the law of tith-  
ing will never handicap a Saint in his economic affairs  
but, on the contrary, will always redound to his good.  
On this point read how Elder John A. Widtsoe answers  
the question, "Does the Payment of Tithing Cause  
Economic Distress?" "Improvement Era," February,  
1938, p. 72.

President Bailey could readily pay his tithing be-  
cause he kept the Word of Wisdom. Would keeping the  
Word of Wisdom enable all Church members to do the  
same thing?

During 1938 there was paid in Utah for alcoholic  
beverages and cigarettes the vast sum of \$10,571,144.  
70, amounting to about \$20 per capita. If the amount  
paid for tea, coffee, and other forms of tobacco, be-  
sides package cigarettes, were added to the \$10,571,  
00, the total would exceed \$25 per capita. What part  
of this sum was paid by Church members cannot be  
determined, but almost certain it is that it greatly ex-  
ceeded the amount of tithing per capita paid by Church  
members in Utah during 1938.

Thus it is clear that if all Church members kept the  
Word of Wisdom and paid their tithing, they would not  
only reap the blessings following the faithful perform-  
ance of this duty, but would actually have more money  
in their pockets.

Why are alcoholic beverages and tobacco not good  
for man? The Lord did not say, but He gave men in-  
telligence to find out. The booklets, "Alcohol Talks to  
Youth" and "Nicotine on the Air," give the answer.  
They were written by an eminent scientist, an expert  
in the field, who tells the story in simple, interesting  
language, giving only accepted facts. Every Latter-  
day Saint home should possess and read these two  
booklets, as well as the two brief spell-binding stories  
in the little pamphlet, "The Word of Wisdom in Practical  
Terms." Every Church member will enjoy and be  
profited by reading these three booklets.

NOTE: Ward Teachers are requested to inquire at  
each home whether or not the pamphlets mentioned  
above have been received and report their finding to  
the bishopric. The booklets are being distributed by  
Stake and Ward Anti-Liquor-Tobacco Committees.

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## OUTLINE OF BUDGET PLAN

Proposed by Presiding Bishop for Stakes and Wards  
(Continued from April Issue)

ITEMS SUGGESTED TO BE INCLUDED  
IN THE BUDGET

Ward maintenance—Janitor, light, fuel, re-  
placements, general small repairs and necessary  
items for current upkeep.

The needs of the auxiliary organizations, the  
Boy Scout, Council quota, etc.

The Seminary assessments.

Choir music.

Sunday School and M. I. A. song books.

M. I. A. annual funds.

Genealogical Society annual fund.

Ward recreation program conducted by M.  
I. A. and Primary, including plays, make up  
and other actual and necessary expenses of  
socials, dances, dramas, etc., with a reasonable  
annual allowance for the purchase of scenery  
and stage equipment.

Amounts required for the Missionary Fund  
over and above collections received at Fare-  
wells.

Amounts to be raised during the year to apply  
on ward indebtedness.

ITEMS SUGGESTED TO BE EXCLUDED  
FROM THE BUDGET

Relief Society annual dues and other collec-  
tions.

Sunday School annual dues.

The Primary one-cent-a-year collection.

Priesthood Quorum dues.

The charity funds and fast offerings of the  
ward.

Missionary collections. Regular missionary  
contributions should be collected at Farewells  
as usual. Amounts required in the missionary  
fund in addition to such collections may prop-  
erly be included in the budget.

Expense of missionary farewells—Music,  
printing, etc. These should be paid for out of  
the proceeds of the farewell. (Other Missionary  
funds may be included in the budget.) (See  
note above.)

Expense of officers and teachers socials or  
quorum socials.

Text books and leaflets. (Sunday School  
Lesson Leaflets may be included if desired.)

Scout or Explorer registration fees or troop  
expenses.

Subscriptions to Church magazines.

## NOTES ON THE BUDGET PLAN

Every necessary expense for the year should  
be included in order to avoid additional appeals  
for money, but care should be exercised not to  
overload the budget as such action will en-  
danger its success. ONLY ACTUAL AND

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suit the contributor even to the extent of providing for monthly payments.

9. In all budgets a reasonable reserve should be included to provide for unpaid pledges and contingencies.

10. The finance committee should be given full responsibility for collections within the ward. At the time the contribution is agreed upon a pledge card should be signed by the contributor stating the amount and the manner in which payments are to be made. Pledge cards should be followed up regularly. Pledge cards will be furnished without charge by the Presiding Bishopric upon request for the number desired.

11. When budget entertainments or recreational events are given, all members of the ward should be invited and made welcome in the same manner that all are welcomed to Sacrament Meetings and weekly gathering of the auxiliary associations, regardless of budget contributions.

12. Where desirable tickets may be issued for identification purposes to ward members to keep out undesirables, but no distinction should be made between ward members because of non-payment of budget contributions. Recreation is a regular part of our Church program. It should not be used for producing revenue and there should be no lines drawn between those who have and those who have not made budget contributions.

13. Under the budget plan no collections are made at the door. All events are financed from budget funds. If non-members of the ward desire to attend, they should come as guests of ward members, without charge, or should make themselves known at the door. If desirable they should be admitted without charge and made welcome.

Special Note: Bazaars, special dinners and similar affairs planned for the benefit of the ward building funds may be conducted. However, if amounts required for the building fund can be pro-rated and included in regular budget contributions, this is desirable.

## MORMON MALE CHORUS

The annual Male Chorus party was held Saturday evening, April 22, in the Berkeley recreation hall. An hour of music, consisting of solos, trios and quartette numbers by chorus members and guests, preceded delicious refreshments and dancing. Operatic selections rendered by a trio consisting of Miss Olive Neilson, soprano; Mr. Loren Wood, tenor, and Mr. Donald Darling, baritone, was a feature of the evening. Their renditions were thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

On May 7th the Chorus will sing during Vesper services in the Temple of Religion, Treasure Island. President Hilton will be the speaker.

May 12 the Chorus will furnish an evening of entertainment for the Townsend Club, Fruitvale district.

The Chorus have accepted an invitation from Mrs. Wolfax, chairman of the Memorial Day program, to sing Memorial Day in the Veterans' Memorial Building, Grand Avenue and Harrison Street. This will be their third appearance in the Memorial Building.

## SEVENTIES' THEATRE PARTY

For the benefit of their security fund, members of the 247th Quorum of Seventy are staging a three-evening theatre party, May 24, 25 and 26. It will be held at the new Laurel Theatre, 3814 Hopkins Street, Oakland. An excellent picture has been selected. Tickets may be had from any quorum member, but must be purchased before going to the box office if the fund is to receive the benefit.

## WARD NEWS

## CLAREMONT WARD

Services Held at Wilkins Hall, 2412 Haste Street, Berkeley

All three of the members of our bishopric, Mr. Reed Chase, Mr. Arthur Burdett and Mr. Seldon Milward, were in Salt Lake City for the Conference.

Reed Harker, on the Saturday morning school quiz program over KROW, won a prize of \$5.00 for answering all of the questions asked him. He obtained the highest number of points possible, which was the first time it has been done.

A carnival was held by the Mutual of Claremont ward on April 1. The young men of the ward, dressed in the latest ballet costumes, presented a comedy dance number.

Tom Beatty of Los Angeles, a former Berkeley ward member, was here for a few days visiting.

A daughter was born on April 3 to Mr. and Mrs. Everett L. Kearsley. Mrs. Kearsley is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert M. Gleason.

## VALLEJO WARD

Services Held at Chapel, 96th Avenue and Derby, Sacramento and York Streets

Bishop Alvin G. Cheshire and Nancy Soper were Vallejo ward members attending Conference in Salt Lake City. They remained after Conference and did Temple work.

A. Dair Hill and family and Mrs. Ruth Newton spent two weeks recently in Ogden, Utah.

Orta Prescott, president of the Mutual, was called to Utah due to the illness of her mother.

Mr. William F. Handley, who has spent the past three months with his son-in-law and daughter, Bishop and Mrs. Cheshire, has returned to his home in Salt Lake City.

The Sunday School enjoyed their Easter picnic at Millikan Dam, Saturday, April 14. Seventy-five members made the trip where the children had an Easter egg hunt and also enjoyed races and games.

Primary President Georgia Coleman and Organist Mary Eckberg have returned from a brief vacation at Ogden, Utah.

We are sorry to lose the Lawrence Strong family, who are moving to their new home in Castro Valley.

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Betty, of San Francisco were Easter Sunday guests at the W. C. Owens home in San Leandro.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Coombs were hosts to a group of friends at a novel April Fool party at their home on Partridge Avenue. A delicious midnight supper was served the following: Dr. and Mrs. M. P. Ream, Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Tolman, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Moody, and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Owens.

## ALAMEDA WARD

Services Held at Odd Fellows Hall, Corner Park Street and Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda

Alameda ward Relief Society held their ward conference Sunday evening, April 23, under the direction of Mrs. Bessie Stevens, ward president. Interesting talks were given by Mrs. Gertrude Nelson of the stake board and the following ward members: Mrs. Bessie Stevens, Mrs. Carol Durham, Mrs. Ada Miller and Mrs. Amelia Everett. Musical numbers were furnished by the Relief Society Chorus and Mrs. Emma Targhetta, soloist.

The following ward members attended Conference in Salt Lake City: Bishop Wendell Jensen and Thys Winkel of the bishopric, Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Targhetta, Peter Borup, Lee Schow, Miss Vernessa Hutchings and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hoffman.

The Primary officers and teachers gave the children a lovely Easter party and egg hunt in the hall Monday, April 10.

The following have had visitors: Professor Seth Shaw and family of the B. Y. U. with the Lee Meuters; Miss Faun Peterson from Manti with her sister, Mrs. Reba Winkel; Mrs. Martina Larsen from Tremonton, Utah, with her brother and family, Jens P. Jensen; Roderick Hunt and family (former members of the ward now living in Needles) with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hunt and brothers, Lyle and Clare, and their families.

Wallace Liddle has been called to vocational duties in Washington, D. C. During his stay there, Mrs. Liddle and family are visiting her parents in Logan, Utah.

Mr. and Mr. Delbert Lee have been called to Salt Lake City because of the death of Mr. Delbert's brother.

We are sorry to lose the Lawrence Strong family, who are moving to their new home in Castro Valley.

## OAKLAND WARD

Services Held at Chapel, Corner Moss Avenue and Webster Street, Oakland

The Primary organization held their graduation exercises Sunday night, April 23. The name of those who graduated are Herman Kaleikan, Deen Ogden, Yvonne Chapman, Betty Greenwell, Evelyn Heater, and Grace Cook. The girl graduates were presented with a Bible, and the boys with a Boy Scout neckerchief.

The Junior Genealogical class held their weekly class at Bishop Norberg's home, Sunday evening, April 23.

Wednesday evening, April 4, the Mutual Improvement Association gave the winning basketball team dancing party, at which the championship trophy was displayed. During the evening a tap dancing skit was presented by Yvonne Shields, Beverley Waller and Rosemary Dix. A large number of young people were in attendance.

Bobbie Jones, grandson of Mary A. Jones, was hurt while wrestling with a boy friend. He was taken to the hospital and operated upon, but is now recuperating at home.

A baby shower was given Mrs. Marian Gow at the home of Mrs. Olena Banks. There were seventeen ladies present.

Miss Marianne Lindelof, left on April 18 for

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a six months' ice skating contract at the New York World's Fair.

An evening of games and refreshments was enjoyed by the Senior Genealogy class in the amusement hall, April 17.

A farewell party was given Miss Dorothy Watts, the retiring president of the Junior Genealogical class, April 12, prior to her leaving for her home in Oregon.

Mrs. Tenna Wilkinson, sister of Mrs. Mary A. Jones, passed away April 6. She was 81 years old.

The M Men of the ward gave a very successful dance, April 21, in honor of the winning basketball team. The music was furnished by Walter Seigel's orchestra.

## MARTINEZ WARD

Services Held at 1022 Thompson Street, Martinez

Mr. Gilbert Roskelley is convalescing after a recent illness which necessitated his being in the hospital for a short time.

Ward Relief Society Conference was held Sunday evening, April 23. A fine program was presented, and two Stake officers were present, Mrs. Gee and Mrs. Addis.

For three successive Saturdays the Priesthood of Martinez ward have worked at the Stake storehouse.

Mr. Albert Cottle of Doris, Oregon, has been visiting with his brother, Claude Wadsworth.

Mrs. Maria Guymon of Brigham City, Utah, is visiting at the home of her son, Bert Guymon. Also Mrs. Maude Storey of Ogden, Utah, is a visitor at the Guymon home. She is the mother of Mrs. Bert Guymon.

Ruth Higginbotham, member of the Sunday School General Board, was a visitor and speaker at our Sunday School March 26.

The adult class of the Mutual held a party in the ward hall on March 28. Games and refreshments were enjoyed. The proceeds go toward purchasing reading course books.

Phyllis Gleason is acting as assistant kindergarten teacher in Primary.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Knowles and family spent a week in Salt Lake City at Conference time.

The Primary children were entertained at an Easter egg hunt at Pacheco Park on April 7.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Wooley and two daughters of Hollywood were visitors at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Ray Evenson. Mr. Wooley, superintendent of the Sunday Schools of Hollywood Stake, spoke at our Sunday School on April 2.

Mrs. Mernie Bunce has been visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Stanley Dahlin, in Concord. We are all pleased to see her around again after her recent illness.

## RICHMOND WARD

Services Held in Chapel, Corner 28th Street and Nevin Avenue, Richmond

Ellis Hopkins, of Soda Springs, Idaho, has come to reside at the home of his brother, Bishop A. L. Hopkins, and family.

The Gleaners and M Men held a "bad taste" party at the home of Mrs. May Whelan. Everyone came dressed in bad taste. A glorious time was had by thirty Gleaners and M Men.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Tidwell and Lileth Tidwell journeyed to North Hollywood, California, to attend the wedding of Mrs. Tidwell's brother, Ray Orme, and Miss Margaret Dailey, on Easter Day. On their return they were accompanied by Mrs. Tidwell's mother, Mrs. Lafayette Orme, of Tooele, Utah, who is visiting here for a few weeks.

Bishop and Mrs. Arthur L. Hopkins and daughter, Ruth and Joyce, attended Conference in Salt Lake City.

The Gleaner Girls' Camadry was held April 11 at the home of the Gleaner teacher, Mrs. May Wheelan. Mrs. Mary Dunham of the

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M. I. A. Stake Board was a special guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Nicolaysen and two children, Arthur and Bobby, and Joel Orme, of Salt Lake City, have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Tidwell.

A special program was given by the M. I. A. on April 18. Mr. Allen, who has just returned from a bicycle tour through Europe, told of his interesting experiences and showed slide-pictures of where he had been.

Miss Pearl Gengler, a bride-to-be, was surprised with a miscellaneous shower, given by Mrs. Emma Acklebein at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Gengler. Many beautiful gifts were received. Miss Gengler is to be married soon to Mr. Frank Brown of El Cerrito.

## PITTSBURG

Services Held in American Legion Hall on E Street

Bishop F. Mellor attended the Conference in Salt Lake City.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Jenkins, from Springville, Utah, were visitors at the Hinckley home in Pittsburg recently.

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ond vice-captain, Rachel Ball; secretary-treasurer, Maybelle H. Anderson; assistant secretary and historian, Helen Beuker; registrar, Effie Dunham; chorister, LaVon Johnson; and custodian and chaplain, Josephine Brawley.

The annual spring semi-formal of the Lambda Delta Sigma Club was held April 29 in the Berkeley ward recreation hall. Assisting the club president, Russell Ball, with arrangements were Preston Erickson, Robert Johnson, Bill Driggs and Bill Shea. Patrons and patronesses were Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Erickson, Mr. and Mrs. Lew Roland and Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Knight.

Louise Feller of Berkeley has recently made known her engagement to Emil Pahl. The wedding will take place sometime in June.

Sunday, May 7, the Deseret Club will conduct a special program during the Sacrament meeting in honor of the church members who are graduating from the University of California.

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The Hayward building committee have completed plans for the hot luncheon they are serving Conference Sunday, May 14, in the Oakland chapel.

Prices will be reasonable and all profits are to be added to the building fund for Hayward ward.

Tom Auger, counselor to the Bishop, has left for Wisconsin, where he is transacting personal business matters and will visit with his parents.

Members of the chorus held a surprise hand-kerchief shower for former members and pianist on Monday, April 24, at the home of Donald MacAllister.

New presidents and their counselors have been chosen to head the coming Mutual season.

Ross McClellan will preside as superintendent of the Y. M. M. I. A., with Robert Springall and Ellis Olsen as assistants.

Ernestine Wiseman is to be president of the Y. W. M. I. A. with Anna May Anderson and Inez MacFadden as counselors.

Plans are in progress for the party in honor of Gwendolyn Millet, who is leaving in June as the first missionary from Hayward ward.

## DIMOND WARD

Services Held in Chapel at 3618 Dimond Avenue, Oakland

The Primary officers and teachers have had a very busy month in preparation of the Stake Spring Festival; the Dimond children had all of the speaking parts. Their monthly meeting was held at the home of Alice Everett, April 26. After the business of the day was disposed of, the remainder of the evening was devoted to a surprise stork shower for Helen Payne.

A number of Dimond people attended Conference this spring, including our Bishop R. O. Phelps, President Hilton, Clyde Summerhays, his wife, Sarah, and children, Emma Matheson, Lulu McCarthy, Mary Russell, Caroline Weindorf and Mrs. Lauper.

The County Daughters of the Pioneers met in the Dimond chapel, April 25, to select new officers for the coming year. The new president is Jessie Lund of Berkeley, and the new first and second vice-presidents are Ruth Gealta and Mildred Morgan. A fine program was followed by refreshments.

The officers and teachers of the Relief Society met at the home of Winnifred Phelps, April 27, for their regular meeting which was afterward turned into a delightful party for one of the counsellors, Dorothy Jacobs, who is expecting the stork. She received many lovely gifts.

The Sunday School Superintendency welcome the return of Jos. S. Welch, who is now conducting, with much success, a class of deacons.

The Relief Society Conference, April 23, was enjoyed by an unusually large congregation. The Stake representative was Margaret Gardner. Splendid talks were given by President Ruth Shurtliff, Blanch Jacobs and Cleone Ricks. The music was rendered by a group of Relief Society women under the direction of Chorister Ruth Gealta. The soloist was Agnes Erwin. At the conclusion of the Conference, an excellent address was given by Mathias Cowley.

Although Aaltje Johan has moved to San Francisco, she is capably carrying on her work as choir director.

Many visitors to the Fair last month included Mrs. Wm. Rice's sister and husband and four children, the W. K. Brooks from Utah; the parents of Frances Gealta, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gealta from Ogden; Mrs. Gealta's sister, Grace Wright, from Ogden; the parents of Teressa

## VITAL STATISTICS

## BIRTHS:

To Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Manning, Martinez, a son, March 28.  
To Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Wanless, Martinez, a daughter, March 31.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Everett Kearsley, Claremont, a daughter, April 3.

## BLESSINGS:

Bonnie Jean Clark, Dimond, March 5.  
William Garry Robbins, Dimond, March 5.  
Robert Hayden Chapman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Chapman, Berkeley.  
Gayle Whightman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Whightman, Berkeley.  
Yvonne Young, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William R. Young, Berkeley.  
William Claude Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Newman Brown, Elmhurst.  
Merrilyn Ann Evenson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Evenson, Martinez, April 22.  
Floyd Raymond Manning, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Manning, Martinez, April 16.  
Ortheila Melvina Merwine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Merwine, Hayward.  
Alan Eugene MacFadden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice MacFadden, Hayward.  
Edward Lee Clark son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Clark, Oakland, April 2.  
Patricia Jane McPherson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Stanley McPherson, Oakland, April 2.  
Doreen St. Valentine Baker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willis E. Baker, Oakland, April 2.  
Charles Dennis La Reaux, Alameda.  
Paul Vergil Swensen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Paul Swensen, Vallejo.  
Anthony James Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Hilton Lee, Vallejo.

## BAPTISMS AND CONFIRMATIONS:

Raymond Claude Brown, Richmond.  
Yvonne Howard, Elmhurst.  
William R. Lenfestey, Berkeley.  
Eileen Mathews, Dimond.  
Harold Adophy Honsvick, Vallejo.  
Norman Clarence Honsvick, Vallejo.  
Willard Olaf Honsvick, Vallejo.  
Wilford Otto Honsvick, Vallejo.

## ORDINATIONS:

James Galbraith, Claremont, Priest.  
Elmore Haslet, Claremont, Priest.  
Lyle Bowen, Claremont, Priest.  
Jack Charles Dewsnap, Berkeley, Elder.  
Keith Mann, Elmhurst, Teacher.  
Phillip Gordon Teeple, Hayward, Deacon.  
Elmer Dean Ogden, Oakland, April 9, Deacon.  
Eugene Gengler, Richmond, Deacon.

## MARRIAGES:

Arlene Marriott and Joyce Rawson Terry, in Oakland, April 8.  
Renee Schipper and Truman Nethercott of Elmhurst, April 17, Salt Lake Temple.  
Mary Elizabeth Griffiths and Garvin Nicholson, Dimond.  
Winnifred Roylance and Clifford Walter Mylin, Dimond.

## DEATHS:

Julia Wanless, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Wanless, Martinez, March 31.  
Mrs. Tenna Wilkinson, Oakland, April 6.

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Mildred Morgan was selected as the new Work Director of the ward in connection with the Security project.

The many friends of Gladys Olsen will be pleased to know she is gradually improving; because of her illness she had to be released as Literary class leader in Relief Society.

The Junior Book of Mormon class, consisting of nearly 40 members, attended Sunday School in San Jose in a group, April 9. The afternoon was spent going through the famous Winchester mystery house and grounds, where they enjoyed a picnic. They were chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Jacobs.

The M. I. A. have just completed their yearly contests. The winners were Joe Roy Hilton, public speaking; Alice Lauper, book review, and Blake Ryding, music. The new officers for the Gleaner girls are Elaine Kimball, president; Dorothy Nethercott, vice-president, and Madge Morgan, secretary.

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